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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three months up to and including November 23, 2001 to respond to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2001. November 22, 2001, Thanksgiving Day, is a federal holiday.

The response to the Office Action is the filing of a continuation application. Please abandon this application conditioned upon the granting of this petition and the granting of a filing date to the continuing application, so as to make the continuing application copending with this application.

A check in the amount of \$920.00 for a three-month extension of time is included herewith. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 02-0383.

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